

Boy Scouts of Hawaii in Action

TROOP I
Troop I met Saturday afternoon with seven scouts, one official, one visitor and one Indian scout present.

Mr. Porter talked about catching rats and the killing of mosquitoes. Every one in the troop is to see how many rats they can catch in four weeks. Mr. Porter also told some good stories of secret service agents and newspaper reporters' tricks and how they dealt with spies and others of their class.

A game of soccer was played between two picked teams and then the meeting adjourned.

The next meeting is on Friday night at the Scout house.

WALTER SAMSON, Scribe.

TROOP V ALERT
Troop V is to be given a special Christmas entertainment next Friday evening. All scouts report in full uniform.

J. P. MORGAN, Scoutmaster.

TROOP IV
At the last meeting of Troop IV there were seventeen scouts and two officials present. Scout Frederick Forbes was sworn in as a first class Scout. Instruction was given the boys on the saluting of the flag. The whole troop took part in drilling semaphores-signaling.

The Scouts of this troop are asked to be present at the meeting Friday evening.

TROOPS IX AND X
For the past three months Troops IX and X have had no meeting place but that of the Liliuokalani schools but the Scoutmasters of Troops IX and X have now leased the old government reservoir in Kaimuki, the bottom of which will answer as a floor. This will make a unique Scout house after a roof is erected over the excavation. Each Scout of the troop has been assigned to design a shield, each Scout having a different design. These shields are to be hung within the Scout house.

TROOP XX
Troop XX held a special meeting Tuesday evening to discuss plans for camping during the Christmas vacation. The troop will hold its next meeting on Friday evening at their headquarters.

TO DO POLICE DUTY
All the Boy Scouts of Hawaii are asked to do police duty on Christmas Eve. A chorus of about a thousand voices is expected to sing and many of the Scouts have been asked to take part. Those who are to sing will report to Deputy Commissioner W. H. Hutton and will be assigned to the chorus.

J. F. C. Hagens has invited the Scouts of the rank of first and second class to go to his residence at Pearl Harbor on New Year's Day. Lunch and transportation will be provided. A special train will take the boys to their destination. The Scoutmasters of the various troops will kindly report the number of their boys—not Tenderfeet—at local headquarters.

The Scouts will bring bathing trunks and towels.

The next "Court of Honor" will meet at the Kiloahana Art League building at 4 p. m. Friday for the purpose of passing Scouts on second class tests. This court has specially planned this meeting so that Scouts can pass in order to go to J. F. C. Hagens' home on New Year's Day.

TROOP VIII.
The meeting was called to order by the senior at 7:30 with a total of 36 scouts present. Mr. Milton, our new scoutmaster, is still a little "green," but he is fast learning the ropes. An Indian patrol was formed under Harold Yap with "Timmie" Blaisdell as assistant. Ernest Kael was introduced into the troop by Dodge Baker and was later elected drummer. We are leaving for a three-day camp on Friday to Waialeale and will be back in time for duty on Monday morning. About 25 boys are expected to go so we are looking forward to a fine time. Mr. Milton has kindly offered to cart our equipment out and back for us, and will then join us Saturday afternoon. Our troop has just received a large supply of equipment including a drum, staves and an American and troop flag. This gift is highly appreciated by the boys and we are especially grateful to Mr. MacCaughy. A test chart was drawn by R. Pedro, showing the standing of all members and tests passed.

BOB HASTINGS, Scribe.

TROOP VIII ALERT.
All boys who wish to go camping report at the Palace grounds with full equipment at 3:30 p. m. Friday.

December 21. All who possess staves please bring them.

BOB HASTINGS, Scribe.

TROOP V HEARS OF CHRISTMAS
The meeting was called to order at 7:30 sharp, 24 scouts, 2 officials and 4 visitors were present. Little business was discussed. Scoutmaster Morgan spoke about a Honolulu woman who offered the troop a Christmas present. After all business was through the scouts fell in and drilled for 15 minutes. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 o'clock.

D. AKANA, Asst. Scribe.

TROOP XX PLANS CAMP
Wednesday Dec. 23, Troop XX will start on their five day camp. The senior leader will be in charge of the troop and camp routine. All the scouts have already "chipped in" their \$1.50 for camp equipment and food stores.

The morning hours will be devoted to instruction in first aid, signaling, map drawing, knot tying, etc. Sunday the scouts will break camp and return to town. The camping grounds are to be selected in the vicinity of Pearl City.

TROOP MEETING CALENDAR.
Troop I will meet at its headquarters Friday evening at 7:30.
Troop IV will meet at its school house next Friday evening at 7:30.
Troop VIII will meet at its school quarters next Friday evening at 7:30.
Troop XX will meet at its headquarters next Friday evening at 7:30.
Troops IX and X will meet Friday evening at the Liliuokalani School at 7:30 p. m.

TROOP II PLAYS TROOP V.
Last week Troop II played Troop V a game of football, winning up with a score of 12 to 9 in Troop II's favor.

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Approach of Christmas Causes Shops to Put on Gayest Attire; Bargains Are Here For the Holiday Shopper

Honolulu's holiday season is in full swing, and nowhere more attractively than in "Chinatown." Here the Oriental shops are gay with bright colors and beautiful with exotic articles.

Here the Christmas shopper has a multitude of things from which to choose, and all tastes and purses may be satisfied.

Jade and gold jewelry as manufactured by the Chinese makes beautiful artistic gifts. Rings, heavy and massive, with deep colored green jade stones, are being extensively worn by men today, and jade when wrought into lavalieres, bracelets and hair combs appeals to the jewelry-loving heart of every woman. The Chinese and Japanese excel in the art of jade cutting, and some of the jades now on display in the Chinatown shops and bazaars are marvels of exquisite design, hand wrought with infinite skill. To America the Oriental has brought the Asiatic's love for uniqueness, oddity, and yet withal harmonious blending of colors and materials in jewelry. Very seldom is Chinese jewelry seen which is not 22 or 24 carat gold, as it is customary in China

to place all one's worldly goods in gold, which never deteriorates in value. A description of the varied articles in this line is impossible, but the collection in the stores of Chinatown will enthrall the visitor and make selection of Xmas gifts easy.

Bronzes of plain and intricate pattern, large and small, always an appropriate gift, may here be found at a price which will enable anyone to secure a specimen of oriental workmanship. Cloisonne vases, some dating back to the Ming dynasty, beautifully hand painted with the artistic lines

which only come from the land of the setting sun; others equally beautiful but smaller. Delicate cups and saucers, transparent and fragile as a humming bird's wing, would make a suitable gift for any one.

Shops Full of Useful Articles.

Besides the many antiques and objects d'art, useful presents may also be found in abundance. Ebony furniture, always in vogue, makes a most ornamental and valuable gift. Art baskets and Mandarin coats, skirts, jackets and slippers. Kimonos ranging in price from \$1.50 up to \$200. Beautiful creations in embroidery and needlework picturing the highest form of Chinese and Japanese art. Gorgeous heavily brocaded hand-worked silk tapestries, bedcovers, portieres and delicate intimate articles for the lady's boudoir. Some of the Mandarin coats are genuine garments once worn by the ruling Manchu class before the revolution swept monarchy from China and established a republic.

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